



## Addendum 4. Instructions for Research Poster Presentations And Judging Criteria

We urge you to obtain the services of the visual aids, media services, etc. at your institution. Neat, legible, hand-drawn tables and figures will be acceptable, but with the currently available software, computer-drawn graphs are relatively simple and preferred. A review by your colleagues before finalizing your poster content and layout is suggested.

Poster size: The Society will provide poster boards and easels at the meeting. **Posters to be judged as Student Posters shall have a maximum size of 36 by 48 inches.** The Society does NOT provide thumb tacks or Velcro for attaching the poster. Bring poster ready to attach to the poster board with thumbtacks. (Poster board size is 40 inches by 60 inches, white).

Layout: A complete poster should contain the following: Title and Author(s), Introduction with objectives, Methods, Results, and Discussion and Conclusions

Letter size: Main poster title – 1 to 1.5 inches high; sub-headings – ½ to ¾ inches high. Letter size for authors' names, statement of research problem, summary of results, and captions, etc., should be easily readable from a minimum distance of four feet.

Use of color: This is optional. Be judicious with color combinations and selections. Dark colors on a dark background are often not easy to see – such as dark red on a blue background. Bright colors, such as yellow, orange and bright green, will call attention to items. Many presentation software have good default color combinations to assist you in the use of color. Avoid a glossy finish on the poster if possible.

Suggestions: Keep your statements short and concise. Keep charts, tables and graphs simple and easy to interpret.

Student Posters that are being judged:

- Author needs to be present during poster session to field questions from judges
- Be sure to review judges' score sheet to see how poster will be judged



## Judges Score Sheet

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Poster No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Points: \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria	Excellent 100%	Good 80%	Fair 60%	Poor 40%	Not Present
<b>Introduction With Objectives</b>					
A. Research Topic	15	12	9	6	0
B. Presentation Clarity	10	8	6	4	0
C. Creativity	10	8	6	4	0
<b>Methods</b>					
A. Appropriateness of Methods	15	12	9	6	0
B. Explanation of Procedures	10	8	6	4	0
C. Proper Use of Statistical Methods <b>OR</b> Validation of Project Usefulness (if no statistics used)	15	12	9	6	0
<b>Results</b>					
A. Significance to Objectives	15	12	9	6	0
B. Presentation Clarity	15	12	9	6	0
<b>Discussion and Conclusions</b>					
A. Significance to Objectives	15	12	9	6	0
B. Presentation Clarity	15	12	9	6	0
<b>Author Answered Questions</b>					
A. Satisfactorily	10	8	6	4	0
B. Delivery	10	8	6	4	0
<b>Poster Aesthetics</b>					
A. Background Desktop	4	3	2	1	0
B. Use of Color or Shading	4	3	2	1	0
C. Pictures, Tables, Graphs	10	8	6	4	0
D. Letter Size and Font	4	3	2	1	0
F. Organization of Poster	4	3	2	1	0
G. Poster Over-size (>3' x 4')					-18

Judges' Comments: